

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
Washington D.C. 20240B-4082  
MAGI # 0440822504HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION  
APPLICATION—PART 1

Instructions: Applicant should read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification may be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in dark ink to complete the application form. If additional space is needed to complete Part 1, use the reverse side or a separate plain sheet of paper clearly indicating the owner's name and mailing address. Part 1 of this application may be completed and sent to the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer at anytime during the year.

## PART 1 EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

1. Name of property: 641 Melvin DriveAddress of property: sameCity Baltimore County \_\_\_\_\_ State MD Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_Name of historic district in which property is located: Ridgely's Delight Baltimore County  
Historic District

Check here if request is for:

- ☐ certification (structure contributes to significance of the district)  
☐ decertification (structure does not contribute to significance of the district)  
☐ easement qualification (for donation of easement on structure or land for conservation purposes).

## 2. Description of Physical Appearance:

(see instructions for map and photograph requirements—use reverse side if necessary) This circa 1850 residential townhouse lies on an East-West axis facing south on Melvin Drive. The existing brick is 2½ stories with frame dormers protruding from the North & South slopes of the Gabled roof. (see next page)

3. Statement of Significance: (use reverse side if necessary) According to the City of Baltimore <sup>commission</sup> ~~Historical~~ Architectural Preservation, the building is circa 1830. It's exterior is fairly intact, with the rear wall, it's interior is in a state of extreme disrepair, and degeneration. Renovation of the interior and the restoration of the front facade will, again, make this building (see next page)

Date of construction (if known): 1830 ☒ Original site ☐ Moved ☐ Date of alterations (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Name and Mailing Address of Owner:

Name Ruth and Henry Modlin & Phyllis and Ted MeyersonStreet 10824 Burbank DriveCity Potomac State MD Zip Code 20854Telephone number (during day): Area Code (301) 277-8805

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I am owner of the property described above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date 3/4/84

Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

## For office use only

The structure described above is included within the boundaries of a Registered Historic District and ☒ contributes ☐ does not contribute to the character of the district.The structure ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation (36 CFR 60.6) and ☐ will likely ☐ will not be nominated to the National Register in accord with the Department of the Interior procedures (36 CFR 60).

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☐ appears ☐ does not appear to contribute to the character of said district or ☐ will likely ☐ will not be recommended for certification as substantially meeting National Register criteria.

Signature [Signature] Date 4-11-84  
State Historic Preservation Officer

(2) The south brick wall has had formstone applied to it around 1950, this shall be removed to expose the original face brick laid in a common bond as adjoining properties. On the East, a 2" wide arched alleyway separates this property and 633 on the basement and 1st floor levels. The original brick remains intact throughout the alley's interior, a new wood gate has recently been installed at the street opening.

The north brick wall is 8" salmon brick laid in a common bond; spalling has occurred and the original mortar joints are badly deteriorated. The wall is an 8" brick party wall lying on the property line. Two brick chimneys are visible on front and rear slopes of the roof. The original wood shingle roof has been covered with a painted standing seam metal covering; an indication it may have deteriorated beyond repair. The original slope was retained.

The original door and window openings have all been retained. The front wall has painted wood sills and lintels throughout, the rear wall retains its original wood sills and Jack arches above. All windows are 1/1 D.H. Wood sash and bullnose trim either original or replacement.

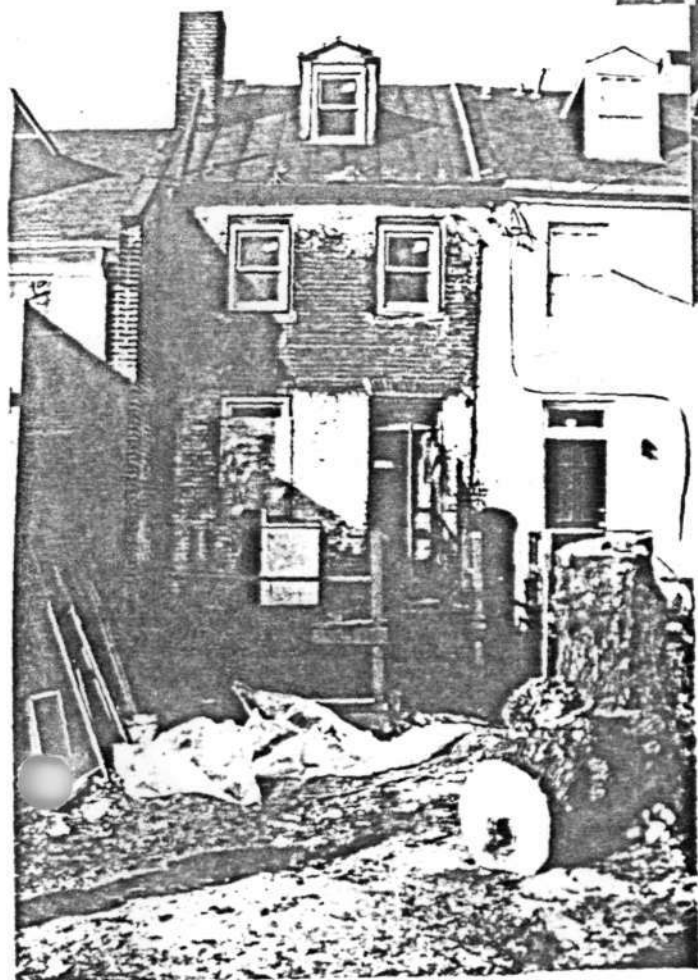
The interior is in a state of disrepair. The existing wood floor boards and stair threads are worn and deteriorated. Plaster and lath walls have suffered from abuse and age; they're chipped, cracked, water damaged, and in some areas non-existent. Original mouldings are to be found for duplication in some areas.

1) Dwelling set over a full basement.

2) On the 2nd story and dormer an 8" brick party wall was constructed.

(3) suitable for occupancy; thus keeping it a good example of old Baltimore row houses in one historic and very old district.

Two views of Front of house  
looking east from Penn Street.



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View of rear of house showing  
original brick, treatment given  
renovated houses on block, de-  
generated porch, general mess  
in back yard.

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